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Ms. Janet Schalansky, Secretary
Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services
Docking State Office Building
915 Harrison
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Ms. Schalansky:

I am pleased to inform you that your request to amend Kansas' Medicaid home and community based services (HCBS) waiver which serves individuals with physical disabilities, has been approved. This amendment has been assigned control number 0304.90.01 which should be used in all future correspondence regarding this amendment. The effective date of this amendment is July 1, 2002.

Specifically, this amendment allows consumers who are on the HCBS Physically Disabled (PD) waiver prior to their 65<sup>th</sup> birthday to have the options, at age 65, to choose to remain on the PD waiver or transfer to the HCBS Frail Elderly (FE) waiver. This change allows consumers on the HCBS PD waiver who turn 65 to maintain consistent Independent Living Counseling and Personal Assistance Services.

Sincerely,

Richard P. Brummel Acting Regional Administrator

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